

News Release

Rock Musical "Little Shop of Horrors" to be Performed at U of M Crookston Saturday through Tuesday, April 5-8, 2014, in Kiehle Auditorium

By Itollefs on Friday, March 28, 2014The award winning rock musical "Little Shop of Horrors" will be performed by students in the

Music and Theater Department at the University of Minnesota Crookston under the direction of Associate Professor George French. Performances will take place Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, April 5, 6, 7, and 8 at 7:30 p.m. in Kiehle Auditorium. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and children.

Little Shop of Horrors, a comedy horror rock musical, was composed by Alan Menken and writer Howard Ashman and tells the story of an unfortunate florist shop worker who raises a plant that feeds on human blood and flesh.

Starring in the performance are Alex Conwell, a post-secondary enrollment option student from Red Lake Falls, Minn.; Alissa Hernandez, a senior majoring in equine science from Savage, Minn.; Jessi Kappes, a post-secondary enrollment option student from Ada, Minn.; Tyler Lowthian, a junior majoring in management from Richfield, Minn.; Joanie Melichar, a junior majoring in early childhood education from Richfield, Minn.; Liz Massie, a senior majoring in communication from Eagan, Minn.; Johnnie Pauly, a senior majoring in equine science from Wrenshall, Minn.; Ryan Rynda, a sophomore majoring in software engineering from Argyle, Minn.; Mitch Sledge, a senior majoring in horticulture from St. Louis Park, Minn.; Jessie Stone, a sophomore majoring in equine science from Cloquet, Minn.; Brock Wood, a sophomore majoring in aviation from Alexandria, Minn. Crew members include Riley Mollerud, a freshman from Fergus Falls, Minn., and Joe Wodarek, a freshman majoring in agronomy from Six Lakes, Mich.

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In the photo: Cast and crew members include (front row, leftto right): Brock Wood, Liz Massie, Alex Conwell, Jessi Kappes, Johnnie Pauly,and Tyler Lowithan. Back row: RileyMollerud, Joe Wodarek, Ryan Wynda, Mitch Sledge (in plant), Alissa Hernandez,and Joanie Melichar.



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